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## PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the action dated December 3, 2002, be extended for three months to and including November 3, 2003. A notice of appeal was filed June 3, 2003. Therefore, the date for response was August 3, 2003.

Enclosed is a check for \$475 for the required fee. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050, referencing attorney docket number 10286-008001.

Respectfully submitted,

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